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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation
MB Docket Nos. 98-120, 00-96, 00-2

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, EchoStar Satellite L.L.C. ("EchoStar") submits this letter to report that on July 7, 2005, representatives of EchoStar met with Ben Bartolome, Rick Chessen, Rosalee Chiara, Eloise Gore, Marla Hackett, William Johnson, and Adam Copeland of the Media Bureau, to discuss satellite carriage of digital broadcast signals. In particular, EchoStar pointed out that the ability to downconvert High Definition signals to Standard Definition format is a key component to its ability to comply with an "either/or" carriage plan.

Moreover, EchoStar argued that any such plan should not be available for use by retransmission consent stations with still effective agreements.

In accordance with Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's Rules, one copy of this notice is being filed electronically in each of the above-referenced proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

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